

## THE FIRE IN BALTIMORE.

**DESTRUCTION OF THE HOLLIDAY-STREET HOUSES**  
**AND OF THE ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL—NARROW ESCAPE OF THE GUESTS—LOSS ABOUT \$150,000—SCENES AND INCIDENTS.**

**HALLSTOWN, Sept. 16.**—John T. Purn's Holliday street, on the St. Nicholas hotel, adjoining on the north side, and a large four-story brick building adjoining on the south, owned by the city, and used as a high school, were burned this morning by a fire which started in the St. Nicholas hotel, the inmates of the St. Nicholas hotel, as well as a large number of actors and employees housed, escaped with their lives.

At 5:30 o'clock this morning an alarm of fire was sounded, and in a few moments a volume of flame burst forth from the Holliday-street residence, spreading building and burning the houses joined on simultaneously from the roof and upper windows, and before the flames were extinguished the entire west end of the Holliday was doomed to destruction.

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The fire department was victorious after a few minutes of fighting. The flames were extinguished, and a tremendous amount of water was used. The fire was caused by a gas leak from the roof of the Holiday street theatre. It fell in a large pile of debris, and the fire spread rapidly. The fire was caused by a gas leak from the roof of the Holiday street theatre. It fell in a large pile of debris, and the fire spread rapidly. The fire was caused by a gas leak from the roof of the Holiday street theatre. It fell in a large pile of debris, and the fire spread rapidly.

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The fire broke out in the kitchen at 11:30 a. m. on the morning of the 20th. The fire was caused by a gas stove. When the roof fell it landed on the kitchen and the fire spread to the other rooms. The fire was very fierce and the firemen were unable to control it. The firemen had to break down the walls of the building and the fire was extinguished. The fire was very fierce and the firemen were unable to control it. The firemen had to break down the walls of the building and the fire was extinguished. The fire was very fierce and the firemen were unable to control it. The firemen had to break down the walls of the building and the fire was extinguished.

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